

COUNTRY East Germany Approved For Release 2003/12/18 : CIA-RDP80-00810A001100590003-2TOPIC Soviet Troop TrainsEVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1DATE OF CONTENT 1 to 17 March 1953DATE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE PREPARED 26 March 1953

REFERENCES

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

1. 25X1 25X1 empty cars to be made available between 7 and 15 March 1953 included: 55 flatcars at Magdeburg; 46 flatcars at Wustermark; 42 flatcars at Justerbog; 37 flatcars at Rathenow; and 24 flatcars at Oranienburg.

2. 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1 the following cars were to be made available and dispatched to Brest Litovsk; 2 coaches from the SCC reserve; 7 new type converted boxcars; 1 boxcar for kitchen; 8 boxcars; and 21 flatcars. Each converted boxcar was to be provided with 100 kg of briquettes and the kitchen car with 300 kg of briquettes.

3. 25X1 the following flatcars with iron side-racks were dispatched from Frankfurt/Oder to Brest Litovsk :

Date in March	Number of Flatcars
7	28
8	26
10	27
12	27
14	27

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4. 25X1 25X1 On 5 March, 25X1 a VP train of 4 converted boxcars with VP personnel and 12 flatcars carrying one tank each. The train was loaded at Guestrow and went to Grossenhain via Elsterwerda.<sup>2</sup>

5. 25X1 25X1 On 11 March, a troop train of 6 converted boxcars and 16 flatcars carrying 8 T-34 tanks 25X1 and 8 trucks 25X1 was observed at the Wustermark railroad station. The train came from Doeberitz and proceeded toward Neustrelitz.<sup>3</sup>

6. 25X1 On 8 March, a VP train of 40 converted boxcars with VP personnel and 20 flatcars carrying 6 boats, 15 pontoons, squared lumber, wooden boards and logs was observed at the Elsterwerda railroad station. The train proceeded toward Leipzig.<sup>4</sup>

25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1 Comment. Compare with the statements 25X1 in a previous report.

25X1 On 12 March 1953, 14 flatcars carrying tanks were observed at the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station. They came from the east and were bound for Lieberose. 25X1 It is believed that the empty railroad material reported in the present report will be used for hauling additional heavy material

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to East Germany in the near future.

25X1A [ ] Comment. Guestrow as loading station indicates that the VP train carried  
25X1A elements of the Panzer Offizier Schule of the KVP in Guestrow-Priemerwald. It  
25X1A appears possible that this school will be transferred to Grossenhain, as the  
25X1A KVP previously stationed in Grossenhain moved to Oranienburg. [ ]  
25X1A [ ] The Zentrale  
Panzer Unteroffizier Schule of the KVP is located in Zeithain, northwest of  
Grossenhain. The stationing of the Panzer Offizier Schule of the KVP in a post  
near to Zeithain may be advantageous with regard to both training and organization.

25X1A [ ] Comment. This troop train [ ] carried a tank  
25X1A unit of the 1st Mecz Div which moved to Neustrelitz. [ ]

25X1A [ ] Comment. The VP train carried an engineer battalion of the KVP. As the  
25X1A dispatching and receiving stations are unknown, no definite conclusions can be  
drawn as to the purpose of this train. It is possible that the engineer battalion  
belongs to one of the planned new Armeegruppen which are known to be stationed in  
Dresden, Leipzig and Dessau. However, the engineer battalion may have also been  
moved to the Elbe River for field exercises. The dispatching station may be  
Kueschensee, Treuenbrietzen or Fuenfeichen near Neubrandenburg, as engineer  
battalions of the KVP are stationed in these places.

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